

City of Marietta
Central Business District Improvement Project
January 8, 2010 Status Update

Construction of the water main along North Park Square and crosswalks along South Park Square are in progress. Detours and parking signs have been adjusted slightly and currently follow the initial staging plan. At this time the construction has not been delayed. The portions of work currently under construction have not yet required concrete pours; however, the schedule calls for concrete work beginning the week of January 11th. The crosswalk construction could be delayed a few days due to freezing temperatures expected into next week during which time concrete cannot be poured. The overall project is still on schedule.

City staff is currently preparing additional signs to be placed around the entrances to the square to encourage guests to visit the businesses and see our progress. The variable message boards on primary roads to the square have been modified to state that businesses are open and parking is available. Below is a summary of construction to expect over the next month.

Water Main Construction

The schedule for the waterline construction is to construct the waterline along North Park in January, West Park in February and South Park in March. Currently the waterline contractor is installing the 12" water main along North Park Square in front of the Strand. The waterline contractor plans to work on the section from Strand to Root Street section during the weeks of January 4th and 11th. The waterline construction should begin in front of Willie Rae's and neighboring businesses around Jan 18th.

Once the water main is completed along the entire frontage of North Park Square bacteria and pressure testing will be performed. Water service reconnections are expected to begin on North Park Square in the last week of January. In the interim between the initial water main construction and service tap construction the water main trench in the parking areas will be filled with gravel and usable by vehicles and pedestrians. Daily maintenance will be performed to ensure the gravel is kept neat and tidy. Once all service taps are completed a concrete cap will be poured to within 1-1/2" of the existing pavement surface. Once all work is completed on the square the trench area will be repaved along with the remainder of North, East, South, and West Park Square.

Crosswalk Construction

The crosswalk contractor is currently constructing the crosswalks partially across the intersections of West, South, and East Park Square adjacent to Glover Park. The current stage of construction is scheduled to be completed during the week of January 11th and may extend into the following week due to weather. Once the current stage of crosswalk construction is completed parking and traffic control will return to normal along South Park Square until the waterline construction reaches South Park Square. Once the waterline contractor is substantially complete at the intersection of North and East Park Square the Cherokee Street and Lawrence Street sides of the intersection will be closed to vehicular traffic so the crosswalk construction can begin. The parking circulation around the square during this closure and all closures will be maintained. The intersection closure of North and East Park Square is expected to last approximately 2 weeks starting around the 4th week of January. During the closure pedestrian crossings will be provided across Lawrence Street and Cherokee Streets a short distance from the construction zone